

YUROK TRIBE

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Ellen Wheatley Acting Director Office of Child Care 330 C ST SW, 4th Floor Washington, DC 20201

Dear OCC Director:

This letter describes how Yurok Tribe plans to use the Child Care and Development Funds (CCDF) awarded under the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act (CRRSA). We understand that this description will be used for the purpose of informing the Office of Child Care, Administration for Children and Families and Congress how our Lead Agency anticipates using the funds to support the child care needs in our jurisdiction.

We plan to use CRRSA funds for activities in the following categories:

1. Direct Services/Subsidies:

• The Yurok Tribe CCDF program will offer 6 month child care subsidy assistance to Yurok Tribally designated essential/frontline workers, this will help families to find care needed during the time their current provider is closed due to coronavirus.

2. Implementation of Virus Mitigation Policies and Practices

- The Yurok Tribe CCDF program will collaborate with Indian Health Services to provide Health and Safety training for center provider as well as subsidy providers to ensure that they have a safe re-opening plan.
- The Yurok Tribe CCDF program will provide PPE and other supplies needed to provide a safe environment for our students and staff. (gloves, shoe coverings, Plexiglas barriers, thermometers, masks, gloves, hand sanitizer, gowns, sanitizing supplies for classroom, etc.)
- The Yurok Tribe CCDF program will purchase additional supplies needed to insure coronavirus arrangement can be achieved: Blankets, sheets, sleeping mats, disposable dishware, reusable individual drinking containers, etc.

3. Grants or Assistance (Other than Subsidies) to Stabilize Child Care Providers

• The Yurok Tribe CCDF program does not plan (at this point) to spend under this category.

4. Assistance to Providers Not Participating in the Subsidy System Prior to the Pandemic

• The Yurok Tribe CCDF program will offer Health and Safety mini-grants to programs in need of assistance.

• The Yurok Tribe CCDF program would like to offer support to in-home providers to become a Licensed Child Care Home, still working on the system to make this happen.

5. Other

- The Yurok Tribe CCDF program plans to offer cultural care boxes to families for self care of students and families.
- The Yurok Tribe CCDF program will offer support to the Boys and Girls clubs in the Humboldt and Del Norte County with PPE and food boxes.

The Yurok Tribe will amend our CCDF plan as a result of activities implemented under CRRSA funding not currently described in the plan, within 60 days of implementation.

Sincerely

/s/

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